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PRODUCTION NORMAL IN TWO WEEKS

STORES GET THREE MORE OPEN HOURS

Plea of Merchants Granted
By Fuel Adminis-
tration.

Cities received their first intimation of modification of the stringent fuel restrictions today when stores of the district under the control of Regional Coal Director T. W. Proctor were granted permission to remain open on Saturday nights until 9 o'clock. Word to this effect was received in Hammond and East Chicago this morning.

MERCHANTS GLAD.

Merchants are delighted at this change which will allow them nine shopping hours on Saturday, their busiest day. The rule of remaining open only from 12 to 3 o'clock has made heavy inroads into the business of many stores and will help make up much of the loss. These three hours are generally the heaviest of the week's business in a store as it is practically the only opportunity afforded the men to do any buying.

MEANS MORE BUSINESS.

With factories working only part time the men may have more opportunities to shop in the afternoon, but it is hoped that the restrictions will soon be loosened in this branch also. Merchants are now hoping that conditions will be so improved that they can follow out their original plan to remain open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of Christmas week.

When the fuel administration announced the rules eliminating the Saturday night open hours, merchants of Chicago and surrounding cities at once besieged Washington with pleas for the extra hours. The result is the following telegram which was received by Coal Director Proctor:

"The stores that have been restricted to six hours per day may use lights, heat and power nine hours Saturday until Christmas. This change in restrictions is made in view of the near approach of the holidays."

SHEET AND TIN PLATE PLANTS RESUME MONDAY

After being shut down for a period of two weeks on account of the coal shortage, the American Sheet & Tinplate plant will resume operation the first of next week, according to an announcement made by officials of the company yesterday.

The two mills were practically shut down on Dec. 1 because of the coal famine. A few men were kept at work in such department and many of the employees in the finishing departments remained at work. The hot mills were shut down completely and many men thrown out of work.

At the time of the shut-down it was announced that the two mills would be closed indefinitely the length of time depending upon a settlement of the coal strike.

Tuesday, when it was first believed an agreement between the miners and operators was near, it was reported that the sheet and tin mills would resume Monday if the settlement was made this week. It was stated at the tin mills today that twenty-four hot mills would be fired up at 8 o'clock Monday morning. This is the number of hot mills in operation previous to the temporary shut down. This includes hot mills in both the new and old tin mills.

It was rumored on two or three occasions during the coal strike that Gary works and the American Bridge plant would be forced to shut down because of the coal shortage, but these two plants fortunately have had sufficient coal to tide them over the famine thus far and it is thought that all danger of a shut-down now has passed.

However, statements from these plants close to the coal situation are to the effect that it will be several days, perhaps weeks, before there is sufficient coal to supply the demand throughout the country and that for this reason conservation methods will have to be continued for some time yet.

STANDARD OIL'S NEW LOCATION

MUSKOGEE, Mich., Dec. 12.—The municipality has given permission to the Standard Oil Company of Indiana to build docks and pumping stations here for the distribution of oil to Michigan and Indiana points. Warehouses and storage tanks will be erected on Muskegon Lake and pipelines will connect with all railroads. The oil is to be brought here in lake boats.

Oil and gasoline landed through the Whiting refinery will be loaded on boats for Muskegon at the company's docks. Inland ship canal, East Chicago.

OFFICERS CATCH BOX CAR THIEVES

Another rich haul was made this morning by officers when they captured Horace M. Jackson, a switchman, residing at 217 Michigan avenue, Hammond, and Frank J. Rogers of Black Oak, as they were on their way to Chicago to dispose of a load of material which had been stolen from box cars near Cleveland, Ohio.

Chief Bauer, Capt. Tooley, and Sgt. Nauriel of the I. H. B. railroad police and Capt. Bunde of the Hammond plain clothes made the arrests. Work had been received to be on the lookout for the men as it was known they were coming this way. They were intercepted and taken to the local police station.

In the car were five pairs of gloves, two blankets, five inner tubes and 15 automobile tires, all new.

BURDICK NAMED ADMINISTRATOR

Clifford P. Burdick of East Chicago, has been notified by T. W. Proctor, regional coal director, that he has been selected to once more act as fuel administrator for East Chicago and Indiana Harbor. Instructions are on the way which will guide him in the distribution of coal through retail dealers and to the industries. Mr. Burdick will keep his eye open for infringements but says that at present the situation seems to be pretty well cared for in his territory. He acted as fuel administrator in that territory during the war.

BULLETIN GIVES BANK LOCATIONS

In a bulletin sent out by the American Association of Joint Stock Land Banks of Chicago late are appended showing the location of the federal land banks and joint land banks of the United States.

Federal land banks are located in the following cities: Springfield, Mass.; Baltimore, Md.; Columbia, S. C.; Louisville, Ky.; St. Louis, Mo.; Omaha, Neb.; New Orleans, La.; Houston, Texas; Wichita, Kans.; St. Paul, Minn.; Spokane, Wash.; Berkeley, Calif.

Joint stock land banks are situated as follows: Sioux City, Iowa; Charleston, W. Va.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Chicago, Ill.; Salina, Kans.; Memphis, Tenn.; Lincoln, Neb.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Port Wayne, Ind.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Monticello, Ill.; Helena, Mont.; Fremont, Neb.; Des Moines, Iowa; Houston, Texas; Omaha, Neb.; Norfolk, Va.; Redwood Falls, Minn.; Dallas, Texas; Wichita, Kans.; Richmond, Va.; San Antonio, Texas; San Francisco, Calif.; Lafayette, Ind.; Topeka, Kans.; Champaign, Ill.

NOON-DAY LUNCH IS DISCONTINUED

H. A. Lamprell, chairman of the noon-day luncheons of the Hammond Chamber of Commerce which have been held each Thursday, announced today that this feature will be discontinued until the second Thursday in January. Owing to the early closing of business, many regular attendants at the luncheon have shortened their dinner hour so that they cannot spend the time necessary at the Chamber of Commerce. Christmas and New Year's both fall on Thursday so this cuts out two more of the luncheons. Mr. Lamprell will announce the resumption of the Thursday meetings.

SINN FEIN PLAN COUNTLESS MOVE

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE) LONDON, Dec. 12.—Indications that the Sinn Fein is organizing a counter move against the widespread raids by the British authorities in Ireland were contained in advices from Dublin today.

Further activities by the British, accompanied by seizures and arrests, are being reported.

Two batches of Sinn Fein prisoners were brought from Ireland upon an armed steamer were scheduled to arrive here this afternoon.

ALABAMA RIVER ON A RAMPAGE

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE) SELMA, Ala., Dec. 12.—The Alabama river is on a rampage through Selma territory and carrying with it everything that comes in its path. The water is already entering the cellars of the Water area, brokers, the Mail's of Selma.

The river registers 55 feet today and will continue to rise until Monday, reaching 57 1/2 to 59 feet, says C. L. Bristol, local weather observer. At the Washington st. side the river is four blocks wide, spreading across the low lands south of Selma.

Relief committees have been formed, working under the emergency work of the local branch of the Red Cross.

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BUNNELL BUYS MORE HOHMAN ST. PROPERTY

Beall and McKee Properties.
Purchased for New
Buildings

Papers have been finally accepted by which E. N. Bunnell acquires eighty feet more frontage on Hohman st., Hammond's booming business street. He follows the accepted idea of the extension of the business district to the south and both properties are located south of Russell street.

The first tract is the old fifty-foot Beall residence property which is situated about 100 feet south of Russell st. and on the East side of Hohman street. For years this home has held out against the encroachments of the business district until it now stands with the view on both sides obstructed by business houses, the sites of which are to be improved soon by even larger and more pretentious buildings.

NEW BUILDING.
Mr. Bunnell plans to improve this lot with a two-story brick building next spring which will add greatly to the substantial appearance of that section of the business district.

The second property acquired by Mr. Bunnell is the business house formerly occupied by the Hopman Cleaners at 673 Hohman street. This has a frontage of thirty feet and was purchased from the McKee estate. It has been leased for six months to the Universal Bakery and Grocery Co., who will, at the expiration of the first lease, release it and erect a modern brick building on the ground which is expected to cost at least \$20,000.

NOW HAS 130 FEET.
With the fifty feet which Mr. Bunnell now owns next to the Standard Oil Co. filling station, his Hohman street holdings now total 130 feet. Furthermore he is looking for more frontage if he can get it. "Our home people do not realize the future value of the Hammond realty," says he. "One could close his eyes and buy real estate in any section of Lake County and make money. Next year will see a wonderful growth in the entire district."

LARGEST IN STATE.
His garage and salesroom which has already been started on Forsyth avenue, East Chicago, will be the largest in the state. The plans call for a building with a frontage of 132 feet and 150 feet depth. This building, when completed will care for his Ford business in East Chicago.

HALT EXECUTION IN MOVIE STYLE

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE) CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Arthur Haensel, convicted wife slayer, was granted a stay of execution five minutes before he was to be hanged.

Jail guards were preparing Haensel for the march to the gallows when word was received that the stay of execution had been granted to permit an investigation as to the sanity of the convicted man.

Haensel was found guilty of murdering his wife by hanging on Feb. 8, 1918, three days after they were married.

JOHN KOWALIK
DIES LAST NIGHT

Following a brief illness with pneumonia, John Kowalik died Thursday night at his home 1977 Cameron street, Hammond. Mr. Kowalik was twenty-nine years old and leaves a wife and one brother. The funeral will be held Monday morning from St. Casimir's church at nine o'clock and burial will be in Holy Cross cemetery in charge of undertaker Janowski.

SPEAKS TO GIRL; LANDS IN JAIL.

Jim Pappas, a hollermaker of 545 State Line street, Hammond, was arrested last night at the Monon depot by officers Newland of the Hammond police charged with being disorderly.

Pappas, it was claimed fought with a girl, whom the soldier was talking with. He was fined \$15 in the Hammond city court this morning by Judge Kloitz.

SUSPECT WILLARD OF PROFITEERING

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE) KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 12.—The inquisitive eye of the government and the state of Kansas has been cast upon Jess Willard, former heavyweight pugilist champion, and an investigation, it is said, is being made into charges that Willard has been profiteering on food cut out from his farm near Lawrence, Kans., during the coal strike.

Fred Robertson, United States district attorney in Kansas City, Kans., and Atty. Gen. Hopkins of Kansas are understood to have conferred Thursday on the case and Hopkins is said to be in Topeka today making personal inquiry of the charges.

TEXAS AND OKLAHOMA GOVERNORS TRY VAINLY TO SETTLE BOUNDARY DISPUTE



Governors William P. Hobby (left) of Texas and J. B. A. Robinson of Oklahoma, shaking hands just before the conference.

SOCIAL WORKER RESIGNS CHARGE FOR WIDER FIELD

Rev. Rolfe C. Spear, pastor of the First Baptist church of Indiana Harbor, has resigned his position as pastor of the church, effective the first of the year, and will devote his entire time to men and boys in social service work.

Rev. Spear has been pastor of the Indiana Harbor church for almost four years and during that time has fostered the social service work above all other. He has been largely responsible for the erection of the Katherine House, to which he has been devoting a large share of his time since its completion.

For some time Rev. Spear has felt that social service work was his field and has made a special study of social service, especially as it applies to Indiana Harbor. He will now have charge of the men's and boys' work in both the Katherine House and the welfare house at East Hammond. He will organize boys' clubs, Boy Scout troops, will hold interviews with the men, hold Americanization classes, and will do much work usually done by a Y. M. C. A. worker. He will spend his time during the week evenly between the two welfare houses and will spend Sunday at East Hammond in Sunday School work. He will continue his residence in Indiana Harbor.

MISS HUMPHER DIES SUDDENLY

The many friends of Miss Leona A. Humphreys were shocked to hear of her sudden death at her home at 12-45 Thursday, caused by a nervous collapse after an illness of three years.

The deceased leaves to mourn her, besides her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Math Humphreys, two brothers, Gerald and Karl, three sisters, Agnes, Cecelia and Mary, also a host of relatives and friends. She died at the early age of twenty-three years.

Leona was loved and respected by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. She was a member of the Young Ladies Sodality and the members and many friends may view her remains Saturday and Sunday. The funeral will be held Monday morning from St. Joseph's parish at 9 o'clock. Burial will be in St. Joseph's cemetery in charge of Undertaker Emmerting.

DIES WHILE VISITING SON

Stricken with pneumonia while visiting at the home of her son Walter Reader, at 271 State street, Hammond, Mrs. Laura Reader died this morning. With her husband, A. P. Reader, she had come to Hammond three weeks ago from their home in West Cairo, O., for a short visit. She was sixty-two years old and leaves only the husband and son Walter as near relatives. The body was prepared for burial by undertaker Ed. Burns and will be shipped today or tomorrow to the West Cairo home where funeral services and burial will take place.

DENIES CHARGE

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE) MEXICO CITY, Dec. 12.—Minister of the Interior Borlanga today declared that U. S. Senator Pallas charges that Mexico was plotting war against the United States under "the plan of San Diego" were absolutely false.

JOHN'S STILL AND LITTLE RED BOOK IN FEDERAL HANDS

(BULLETIN)
Unable to locate some tips known to have been purchased by Bookatis, Officers Ed. Kronmire and Capt. O'Donnell of the East Chicago police continued their search of the houses today and unearthed by far the largest still found yet in the county. It has an estimated capacity of seventy-five gallons per day and was concealed in a secret basement under the kitchen floor.

Many residents of Indiana Harbor were thrown into a succession of chills yesterday when it became known that the still of John Bookatis had been raided by the Indiana Harbor police at 1912 17th st. and that John's "red book" containing the names of all of his customers had been turned over to the federal authorities.

John's still was the most elaborate taken in any raid in Lake county. The equipment, together with the load of rye which he had in stock, represent an investment of hundreds of dollars. John is in jail and may remain there until his case is disposed of at Indianapolis as he had been unable to procure the \$2,500 bond fixed by Commissioner Charles Surridge at the hearing this morning.

Plans for three fine stills were found in John's pocket. One was a single, another a duplex and the third a triplicate, indicating that he planned to turn out the finest quality of liquor to be made. He disclaimed all knowledge of the drawings, saying that he had let a seven-year-old school boy play with his book and the lad had just drawn the pictures to amuse himself.

Questioned regarding the outfit found in his possession, he said the boiler was for cooking potatoes, the vat for boiling all kinds of vegetables and another outfit for making coffee on a large scale. His books showed that he had sold at least \$500 worth of liquor to his Harbor friends.

INDIANA DRY LAW IS STILL INTACT

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 12.—Indiana's dry law is intact today despite the action of the Indiana supreme court in reversing the St. Joseph circuit court for finding Thomas Ward guilty of "having liquor in his possession" without the allegation being made that he had it to sell. This is the opinion of Carl Minton, attorney for the Anti-Saloon League, who drew the law. The section under which Ward was found guilty is not nullified, Minton says, pointing out that the reversal involved a technicality of procedure. The section in question provides that "every person, except licensed pharmacists, etc., shall remove all intoxicating liquors in his possession from the state and failure to do so shall be prima facie evidence that such liquor is being kept for the purpose of being sold, bartered or given away."

Director General Hines, of the railroad administration, will perform the duties of the fuel administrator. Complete silence has been held by Dr. Garfield as to the terms of the coal strike settlement. It was known, however, that he did not agree altogether with the plan because he commission established to reach a permanent agreement is not confined in its powers and may increase the cost of coal. Dr. Garfield stood out against any increase in the cost of coal to the public and it was believed that he would offer his resignation rather than see this principle.

GARFIELD QUILTS; HINES NEW FUEL ADMINISTRATOR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Dr. Harry A. Garfield, fuel administrator has resigned. This was announced at the White House today.

President Wilson now has the resignation and it will be accepted immediately.

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S. O. EMPLOYEES PICK NOMINEES

Election of Their Representatives Will Be Held
Next Tuesday.

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)
WHITING, Ind., Dec. 12.—The voting for the annual election of the Industrial Relations department of the Standard Oil Co. took place on Wednesday, the following being the nominees for employees' representatives:

First Division: K. M. Sinclair, George Benson, Joseph Stanley.
Second Division: Jess Abraham, John Charley, Thomas Hayes, Frank Beaton, Ernest Shepard, Charles McClelland, Del Arsenault, Frank Sweeney, George McClelland.

Third Division: William Fuller, William Hardy, Frank Barr, Thomas Beaton, John Gorman, Pete Herackovich.

Fourth Division: Peter A. Kozack, John Bodick, Paul Barber, Bert Dewey, Steve Tobias, Joe Masura, John Taraj, George Kowal, Andy Vargo.

Fifth Division: Nick Scholl, A. H. Raglow, Stanley Nicholson, George Hulst, John Black, Robert Redman.

Sixth Division: Charles Dickey, Thos. McFadden, Harry Lewis, Mike McGowan, John Krevich, Frank Eaton, Albert Ramstock, John Barry, Herbert Morris, Fred Haag, Charles Groat, Jerry Lyons.

Seventh Division: Lewis Kasper, Allen Bell, Arthur Barnum.
Eighth Division: Joe Seher, Ben Jones, John Chlinski, George Girman, Peter Lippe, Joe Wagner.
Ninth Division: D. J. Gallagher, Russell Wilkinson, Frank Schell.
Tenth Division: Steve Dedinski, Henry Behrens, Joe Shaveroff, J. L. Trugood, Henry Beavans, Herman Roman.
Eleventh Division: G. E. Henthorne, E. M. Long, L. M. Graham.
On Tuesday, Dec. 18, twenty-two representatives will be elected from the nominees to serve for the ensuing year.

NO RESERVE FUEL STOCK THIS WINTER

Many Coal Miners Still Refuse to Return to Work.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 12.—Rapid restoration of conditions approximating normal are expected by officials of the United Mine Workers as a result of letters, in the nature of an appeal for immediate resumption of work, mailed today to all district and local unions of the organization.

The letters which supplement telegrams sent out at the close of the conference which agreed upon the president's strike settlement terms Wednesday advise the miners not to delay their return to work because an immediate resumption of operations will result in a normal advantage which will be of great benefit to the mine workers. The communication it was indicated at union headquarters, is designed to bring into line recalcitrant locals, which so far have refrained from taking up their tools.

Barring extremely cold weather, production and distribution of soft coal will be restored sufficiently to permit return to normal commercial and industrial activities within a fortnight it is believed by operators, miners leaders and railroad officials here. The hole in the nation's coal bin, caused by the six weeks of non-production, however, cannot be filled this winter and there will be no reserve fuel supply, they believe.

ILLINOIS BETTER.
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 12.—"Coal was hoisted from the majority of mines in Illinois today for the first time in six weeks, reports received at the headquarters of the United Mine Workers Union here state.

Strikers who returned to work yesterday had cleared away most of the debris from the mines so that coal could actually be dug. As soon as it was brought to the surface the coal was loaded on cars waiting at the mines.

But twenty per cent of the miners returned to work this morning according to President Frank Farrington of the State Miners Union.

The men are coming back steadily and he expects a fifty per cent resumption of work before the close of the day.

"Telegrams of protests against the 14 per cent increase are being received from all parts of the state," Mr. Farrington said. "We expect the miners to be back in the mines in a general resumption of mining by Monday and are bending every effort to that end."

ONLY 20 PER CENT.
TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 12.—Approximately 20 per cent of the 8,000 miners of the Terre Haute field went to the mines today, according to railroad officials operating "miners specials."

A big mass meeting of miners will be held here this afternoon at which Ed Stewarts, 44 Wm. Mich, secretary of the Indiana mine workers will explain the action of the international officers of the union in accepting President Wilson's proposal at the Indianapolis conference Wednesday. Similar meetings held at Clinton and other mining towns last night and this morning.

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OPERATORS MUST CONSIDER STRIKE SETTLEMENT NOW

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE) WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Bituminous coal operators from all of the large fields, meeting in an informal session here today, are debating whether they will accept the proposition for the settlement of the strike which was reached by Atty. Gen. Palmer with Acting President Lewis and Secretary Green and the executive committee of the miner's union.

The operators have not been notified of the making of the agreement beyond newspaper reports. They have not been asked whether the proposition of settlement is acceptable to them nor have they been told any of the terms on which the men are returning to work beyond the brief statement of the attorney-general and that later by Acting President Lewis.

"We are completely in the dark," said one large operator. "We were told that an agreement to settle the strike has been reached, but we only know its terms from newspaper accounts. We are told there is to be a commission to inquire into our business and possibly make a new wage agreement. We have not been notified of anything to that effect."

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